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C O N F I D E N T I A L USNATO 11525

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SUBJECT: NATO DEFENSE INITIATIVES: MAIN ACTION AREAS FOR  
TASK FORCE 9 (CONSUMER LOGISTICS)

REF: (A) USNATO 11416 DTG 161713ZNOV77, (B) USNATO 11414  
DTG 161630ZNOV77, (C) USNATO 11063 DTG 081626ZNOV77.

1. REF A PROVIDES THE TASK FORCE 9 DIRECTOR'S REVISED LIST  
OF MAIN ACTION AREAS, WHICH ALSO APPEARS IN PARAGRAPH 50 OF  
THE REVISED PROGRESS REPORT (DPC DRAFT REPORT - REF B). WE  
NOTED IN REF A THAT IN THE REVISED LIST THE TF DIRECTOR'S  
ACTION AREAS (1), (2), (3), AND (7) COVER ALL 3 OBJECTIVES  
SET OUT IN THE US PROPOSALS FOR GUIDANCE FROM THE DPC/PS  
(PARAGRAPH 9 OF THE ENCLOSURE TO THE DEFAD'S LETTER OF 8  
NOVEMBER, REF C). WE UNDERSTAND THAT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR  
ADDRESSING MAL-POSITIONING AND PRE-POSITIONING OF STOCKS  
HAVE BEEN COORDINATED AMONG TF-1, TF-2, AND TF-9. TF-9'S  
MAIN ACTION AREA (4) REPRESENTS THE DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT OF  
HIS RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MAL-POSITIONING AND PRE-POSITION-  
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ING, AND THEREFORE SEEMS APPROPRIATE FOR RETENTION IN THE  
GUIDANCE GIVEN BY THE DPC/PS. FURTHER, IT APPEARS THAT THE  
TF DIRECTOR'S MAIN ACTION AREAS (5) AND (6) FALL INTO THE  
CATEGORY OF POLICY, PROCEDURAL OR ORGANIZATIONAL MEASURES  
WHICH TF DIRECTORS ARE AT LIBERTY TO PROPOSE IF IN THEIR  
VIEW THESE BELONG IN THE LTDP (ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE, PARA-  
GRAPH 8 OF REF B, BASED ON PARAGRAPH 10 OF THE ENCLOSURE TO

THE DEFAD'S 8 NOVEMBER LETTER).

2. WE ARE CURRENTLY ENGAGED IN SOME INTENSE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE IS, UK, AND FRG ON THE CONTENT OF GUIDANCE PARAGRAPHS FOR TF 2, 4, AND 9. OUR TENTATIVE VIEW IS THAT THE GUIDANCE PARAGRAPH FOR TF 9 MIGHT ENJOIN THE TF DIRECTOR TO PROCEED WITH HIS MAIN ACTION AREAS 1, 2, 3, 4, AND 7 (A LIST OF 5 ITEMS COMPARED WITH OUR PROPOSED 3), AND INCLUDE PERMISSIVE LANGUAGE FOR PROCEEDING WITH THE POLICY/PROCEDURAL/ORGANIZATIONAL MEASURES (5 AND 6) THAT SOMEWHAT DIMINISHES THEIR PRIORITY.

3. WE WILL REPORT THE OUTCOME OF THE NEGOTIATIONS SEPTEL. BENNETT

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